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| A. King | : | Examiner: April L. Baugh |
| Serial No.: 09/539,459 | : | IBM Corporation |
| Filed: 03/30/2000 | : | Intellectual Property Law |
| Title: METHOD & STRUCTURE FOR | : | Department IQ0A/040-3 |
| EFFICIENTLY RETRIEVING STATUS FOR | : | 1701 North Street |
| SCSI ACCESSED FAULT-TOLERANT | : | Endicott, NY 13760 |
| ENCLOSURE | : | |

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This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed 01/22/2004.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 70-87.

1. 54 (previously amended) A method for communicating to a host system a numerically variable characteristic of a subsystem, said method comprising the steps of:

said subsystem receiving a request from said host system to monitor said numerically variable characteristic of said subsystem and report to said host system a value of said characteristic or an amount of change of said characteristic when a minimum numerical amount of said change occurs, said request specifying said minimum numerical amount of said change; and

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Invention: METHOD & STRUCTURE FOR EFFICIENT RETRIEVING STATUS FOR SCSI ACCESSED
FAULT-TOLERANT ENCLOSURE

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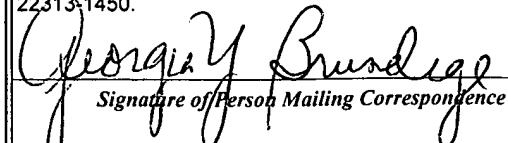
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